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PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS.

UNITED STATES.

[Reports to the Surgeon-General, Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service.]

Summary of work in Chinatown, San Francisco, for the week ended October 15, 1904.

The following is received from Passed Assistant Surgeon Blue, under date of October 17:

Week ended October 15.

Buildings reinspected	193
Rooms	1,630
Persons inspected	2,137
Sick	24
Sick prescribed for at Oriental Dispensary	10
Dead examined	3
Necropsies	0
Rats examined bacteriologically	55
Number showing pest infection	0
Places limed and disinfected	644
Times streets swept	2
Sewers flushed	15
Notices sent to abate plumbing nuisance	9
Abated	3
Undergoing abatement	5
Total number plumbing inspections	160
Blocks covered with rat poison	18

Disinfection for tuberculosis on steamship Alameda at San Francisco.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Stimpson reports, October 5, as follows:

The quarters previously occupied by a patient of this Service suffering with tuberculosis on the steamship *Alameda* were disinfected September 15, 1904, in accordance with Department Circular No. 15, dated February 11, 1904.

Transactions on account of smallpox in northern Maine, Canadian border—Report of sanitary work in the Madawaska region.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Hammond reports, through Surgeon Kalloch, as follows:

Week ended October 8, 1904. Cases of smallpox under super-

vision, none; number of houses fumigated during week, none; houses under quarantine, none; number of persons vaccinated, 3; miles of territory covered, none.

Transactions on account of yellow fever at Laredo, Tex.

Mortality at Laredo for the month of September, 1904.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Richardson reports, October 8, as follows: Tuberculosis, 7; gall stones, 1; unknown (all infants under 6 days), 6; postpartum hemorrhage, 1; injury, 2; still born, 2; cardiac failure, 1; hernia, strangulated, 1; enteric fever, 1; enteritis, ulcerating, 1—total, 23.

INSPECTION SERVICE, MEXICAN BORDER.

Inspection at Nogales, Ariz.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Gustetter reports as follows: Week ended October 8, 1904: Passengers inspected, 630; immigrants inspected, 205; immigrants deported, 6; special examination Chinese, 3.

Inspection at Eagle Pass, Tex.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Hume reports as follows:

	Week ended October 8.
Persons inspected	272
Persons held	0
Pullman cars fumigated	7

Bags Pullman linen disinfected, 34.

Inspected on footbridge, 3,412 persons. Returned by State quarantine officer—by train, 3; by bridge, 32.

Inspection at El Paso, Tex.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Alexander reports as follows:

Week ended October 8, 1904: Mexican Central passengers inspected, 212; Mexican immigrants (Mexican Central) inspected, 34; inspection of Mexican immigrants International Bridge, 173; rejection of Mexican immigrants, 1; refused entry, being only two days out of Monterey, 6; inspection of Los Angeles special excursion, 81, inspection of special Pullman party, 14; disinfection of soiled linen imported for laundry work, 398 pieces; vaccination of immigrants, 3.

Inspection at Laredo, Tex.

Acting Assistant Surgeon MacGregor reports, through Passed Assistant Surgeon Richardson, as follows:

Week ended October 8, 1904: Passenger trains from Mexico inspected, 15; persons vaccinated on entry, 3; immigrants on trains inspected, 20; Pullman coaches disinfected, 14; persons refused entry for noncompliance with State quarantine regulations, 22; persons